

Monday, January 21, 1952.

Joe Gray and John Wood came to see me this morning about the American Hospital. They feel, as I do, that more younger men should be brought ^{onto} ~~into~~ the Board and ~~there~~ there should be an annual drive to raise money for the institution. Its deficit is ~~very~~ large, and has been made up in the past through a few important ^{contributions,} ~~contributions,~~ and by the use of capital from its endowment fund.

The Chinese Ambassador ~~called~~ call to ask me to talk to the French Government regarding the sending to Formosa of the Chinese Nationalist troops interned in Indochina. He says, which had previously been reported to us, that considerable numbers have deserted and joined the Vietminh.

I went to a lunch at the restaurant Laurent given by M. Pierre Brisson for André Siegfried. François Mauriac, Pleven, Reynaud, M. Haag Prefect of the Seine, and quite a group of academicians were there. I left early to attend the ceremony at the Institut de France

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where General Eisenhower was received as the successor to General Pershing in the Academy of Political and Moral Sciences. The Institute building, erected by Cardinal Mazarin, is ~~very~~ beautiful, and contains a wonderful library. The General made a ~~very~~ graceful speech, and as usual radiated confidence.

This afternoon, M. Olivier Quéant, Editor of "Plaisirs de France", called on me. It is a ~~very~~ sad case. He was set upon in Montmartre nine months ago by three drunken American soldiers as he was walking down the street. They beat him up ~~very~~ badly, and as a result he has completely lost the sight of one eye. Even to-day one can ~~see~~ how brutally he must have been assaulted.

Max Shoop called on me to discuss the possibility of his firm, Coudert Brothers, opening a law office in Casablanca. I had a chance to talk to him about the American Hospital, of which he has long been a trustee, and found him in accord with the sentiments expressed

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